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MEMORANDUM

COURSES OF STUDY AND EXAMINATIONS

The revised Regulations of 1904, regarding the courses of study and the requirements for the Departmental examinations [See Regulations 43 (3), 46, 47, and 48], are now in full force, except as follows:—

(1) As in 1905 and 1906, no examination will be held in 1907 in the subjects of Part 1 of the Junior Teachers' or District Certificate course; but no candidate will be admitted to any County Model School or other training school who does not furnish a statement from the Principal of the school attended, to the effect that the holder has completed satisfactorily the full course prescribed for Part 1.

(2) Candidates who have already passed in one part of the Senior Teachers' examination under the regulations in force in 1905 and 1906 [see Reg. 50 (4)], with or without the Physics prescribed for such examination, must complete at one other examination the list of subjects as prescribed for Parts I. and II. in Regulation 47. For such candidates at the examination of 1907 the pass standard will be 34 per cent. of each paper and 50 per cent. of the aggregate of marks for the papers taken.

In the case of the Mineralogy, the Geometry, and the Mediæval and Modern History of the Upper School, the Departmental examiners will, as heretofore under similar circumstances, be instructed to bear in mind, when setting the papers therein, that the courses in these subjects will be taken up for the first time in the schools during the coming session. The details of these courses are given on pages 71 and 72, and in appendices C. and D. of the Regulations. The same consideration will be shown in the case of the Biology of the Upper School and the Geometry of the Middle School.

Text-Books.

The list of text-books authorized in August, 1905, for use in the Public Schools, High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, and County Model Schools, will remain unchanged until further notice. Revised editions of books now on the list cannot be used.

The text-books for the Normal College and the Normal Schools will be announced to the students at the beginning of the session. No Teachers' Reading Course is prescribed for 1907.

Education Department, August, 1906.

Modifications of Present System.

I. The courses of study to remain the same as at present with the following modifications :—

(1) The courses in *Z*oology to be outlined irrespectively of any text book, and the animals to be dissected and studied to be named.

(2) The courses in English Grammar and Rhetoric and Arithmetic to be omitted in Form III and at the Junior Leaving Examination, the examinations in these subjects at the Primary to be about as difficult as they are at the Junior Leaving Examination, and these subjects to be continued in Form IV. and at the Senior Leaving Examination.

(3) The examinations in Latin, Greek, French and German prose authors to be on sight passages, the poetical authors, when deemed desirable, being prescribed.

(4) A larger amount of English Literature to be prescribed—whole works in every case; there being at each examination one set of authors with which an intimate acquaintance would be required, and another (and the larger portion) with which a general acquaintance would be sufficient; the themes in composition being selected from any of the prescribed authors.

(5) As now in the Reading, Writing and Physical Education in the High School course, a minimum of two lessons a week in Science to be prescribed for each division of Form I.; Physics in winter, and Botany when flowers are available, and text books not being necessarily used; there being, however, no Departmental examination in these subjects except in the case of those who take the Primary Science option and whose special study of the subjects would begin in Form II.

II. The papers and standard for Pass Matriculation to be the same as those for the Junior Leaving Examination, the standard being one-third of the marks for each paper and half of the aggregate marks obtainable.

III. Supplemental Matriculation Examination to be abolished.

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